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- The Israeli Supreme Court ordered a temporary halt to the construction of an iron bridge at the Mughrabi Gate area of the Al-Aqsa mosque/Western Wall complex. The court ordered the halt until several legal objections filed against the construction have been heard. Maan News (October 6, 2008).
- 5 Palestinians submitted a compensation claim against «Israel» in the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court for failing to evacuate the outpost, "Migron" near Ramallah, which was built on Palestinian private land before 9 years. The Migron outpost is inhabited by 40 families living in 60 structures. It was slated for evacuation by August 2008. Arabs48 (October 6, 2008).
- A new Israeli family will move to live in East Jerusalem as declared by Ateret Kohanim organization. The house is 100 meters square area and is located in an area inhabited by Jews and Palestinians. It is worth mentioning that more than 900 Israelis live in houses bought by the organization in the neighborhood since 1978. Quds (October 6, 2008).

- Israeli Occupation Police raided Al Sahera Mosque in Jerusalem city and carried out inspections and checked Palestinian citizens' cards. Quds (October 7, 2008).
- Citizens of Al 'Isawiya and 'Anata communities east of Jerusalem city foiled an attempt by tens of Israeli settlers of Yeshivat Ateret Cohanim Jewish organization to take over a piece of land estimated at tens of dunums in Ras Shihada area, between Al Salam outskirts and Al 'Isawiya town. Citizens uprooted the Olive trees that settlers planted in the targeted land to establish an outpost there. Another violation was also reported in Shu'fat area, in block number 120; parcel number 13 which belongs to citizens of Shu'fat community in east Jerusalem. Quds (October 8, 2008).
- A group of Israeli settlers erected a tent to celebrate the Sukkot day, in the yard of Al Kurd family house in Al Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood in Jerusalem city. Wafa (October 10, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities and Jewish extremists groups inaugurated a new Synagogue on Al-Wad Street in Jerusalem, near Al-Aqsa mosque. The Synagogue is considered the largest in Jerusalem city and is located 50 meters away from it. The Synagogue was given the name Ohel Isaac. Maan News (October 11, 2008).
- Staff of the Israeli Ministry of Interior charged with the implementation of a comprehensive census of the population in Jerusalem city ended its practical and theoretical trainings, and is expected to proceed with the implementation of the census after the end of the Jewish holidays, in the period up to early January next year. Quds (October 17, 2008).
- A new Israeli plan holding number (1) & (3) in Jerusalem area aims at imposing more restrictions and obstacles in the way of Palestinian building and development in East Jerusalem communities such as Silwan, Al Thuri neighborhood, Ras Al 'Amoud, At Tur, Ash Shayyah, Ash Shiekh Jarrah, Sur Baher, Wadi Al Jouz (The Holy Basin) and the Old City of Jerusalem. It is worth mentioning that the plan was published on the 22 of August 2008 in the Israeli newspapers which are not read by Palestinians. Quds (October 18, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation soldiers prevented Palestinian worshipers from entering Al-Aqsa mosque without delivering their ID cards to Israeli soldiers at Hatta Gate which leads to Al-Aqsa Mosque. This procedure

aims to increase the obstacles against Palestinians visiting religious places in Jerusalem city. Wafa (October 23, 2008).

- The Israeli Ministry of Interior along with the Israeli Municipality of Jerusalem city issued an order to abolish the right of Palestinian Jerusalemites who live in the communities segregated by the construction of the Israeli Segregation wall to vote. Zeif Ayalon, head of the Elections committee declared that election boxes will not be put in the east Jerusalem communities set outside the Israeli wall path. Quds (October 26, 2008).
- A group of religious Israeli settlers erected a huge tent on the main road leading to Al Sheikh Jarrah neighborhood in Jerusalem city in front of Sami Al Ga'ouni house under the pretext that the land is a property of the Jerusalem Municipality. Quds (October 29, 2008).
- Israeli Supreme Court ordered that construction at the \$250-million museum of Tolerance, which is being built adjacent to [Independence Park](#) by the Los Angeles-based Simon Wiesenthal Center, can resume immediately, except for the small section where the human remains at deconsecrated Mamila Muslim cemetery were found. The Islamic Waqf in Israel vowed to fight the Supreme Court ruling. The museum is designed by world-renowned architect Frank Gehry and will include a theater complex, conference center, library, and gallery and lecture halls. Jpost (October 30, 2008).
- Israeli settlers attacked Church of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem city, attacked a number of priests who were in the church and destroyed a number of crosses in one of the souvenirs located in the vicinity of the church. Pal Today (October 30, 2008).
- The Israeli High court rejected the appeal filed by Al Aqsa Association against the building of a museum (Museum of Tolerance) on lands of Ma'man-Allah Cemetery in West Jerusalem despite the fact that Israeli bulldozers found and destroyed dozens of Muslim graves during excavation work for the museum. Quds (October 30, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces started razing M'aman Allah Islamic Cemetery in Jerusalem city in an attempt to erect a museum. Quds (October 31, 2008).

- The Israeli Authorities decided to evacuate the houses of Al Maslamani and Jamjoum families which were built on 20 dunums of lands in Beit Hanina town preparing them for demolition. Quds (October 31, 2008).

## **Bethlehem**

- 20 Israeli military vehicles stormed Al-E'bayat neighborhood from its eastern entrance and ransacked homes, destroying much of their contents. Among the homes ransacked were those of Osama Abayat, Raed Abayat, Mohammed Abayat, Ali Hassan Abayat, Imad Hassan Abayat, Yusuf Hassan Abayat, Khaled Mohammed Abayat, Mohammad Hassan Abayat, Yasser Ali Abayat, Hassan Adnan Abayat and Hassan Moussa Abayat. Maan News (October 3, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation soldiers raided Tequ' village east of Beit Sahour city and stormed the houses of Sulaiman Musa Jebreil, Ahmad Khalaf Jebrel, Saleem Musa Jebreil, Izzat Musa Al Badan and Ibrahim Khalaf Jebrel. Wafa (October 5, 2008).
- The Israeli right-wing movements, Women in Green (Women For Israel's Tomorrow) and the Committee for a Jewish Shdema, set out a call on an upcoming activity which will be held on the 16 of October 2008, celebrating the ['Sukkut day'](#); the activity will take place in the evacuated military base of 'Ush Ghurab ' what the Israelis refer to as 'Shdema' east of Beit Sahour city. The activity will be attended by several key persons of settlers' councils and rabbis from Qiryat Arba' settlement in Hebron, Gush Etzion settlement bloc southwest of Bethlehem Governorate, and Har-Homa settlement located north of Bethlehem city. The event is authorized by the Israeli occupying forces who will be providing security to protestors as stated in the invitation. INN (October 7, 2008).
- 30 Israeli military vehicles raided As-Saf Street at the south end of Bethlehem, fired gunshots and shells at a building owned by Mahmoud Dweik forcing residents of the apartment building to evacuate and move to neighbors' homes. The Israeli Occupation forces started demolishing parts of the building and sealed the area preventing even students from getting to their schools in the neighborhood. Israeli Occupation bulldozers also demolished a garage located next to the house and razed the lands surrounding the house. Quds & Maan News (October 12, 2008).

- Dozens of Israeli settlers took over an abandoned Israeli military base east of Beit Sahour city, Ush Ghurab. Israeli Occupation forces did not prevent settlers from entering the area. Settlers marched throughout the base, celebrating the Jewish holiday of Sukkut. Maan News (October 16, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation vehicles raided Al Khadr old city west of Bethlehem city, adjacent to the bypass road which connects Gush Etzion settlement bloc. with the Tunnel's road in Beit Jala, and imposed intensive security procedures during which Palestinians were prevented from moving in and out of their homes. Israeli Forces also stormed Palestinian houses and forced residents to leave the houses under the threat of weapons; IOF also threatened to demolish the house of 'Abdullah Abu Hasna. Wafa (October 20, 2008).
- Israeli forces have invaded the West Bank town of Tequ' south of Bethlehem city and threatened to demolish the house of a young Palestinian man, Muhammad Salem Al Badan. Israeli troops called through loudspeakers urging the family to leave the house before it is destroyed. Maan News (October 23, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces detained Al Khadr village school teachers at 'Aqbat Hasna area in the old city of Al Khadr west of Bethlehem city and confiscated their ID cards. Wafa (October 23, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Army raided Al 'Azza refugee camp north of Bethlehem city and stormed the houses of a number of Palestinian families and caused damages to the contents. Wafa (October 23, 2008).
- Settlers of Efrat settlement sneaked into Palestinian lands of Al Khadr village and tried to demolish agricultural houses made out of Zinc. Settlers also caused damages to some lands cultivated with field crops in Al Faghour area. Quds (October 24, 2008).
- More than a dozen Israeli military vehicles stormed the house of Bassam Za'ul from Husan village west of Bethlehem city and took over the house and transferred it to a military post and a watchtower. Him and his family were asked to leave the house and were treated harshly by the Israeli soldiers. The apartment is at the third floor of a three-storey building. It is worth noting that Mr. Za'ul wasn't given a warrant before the evacuation was ordered, although his apartment had been ransacked five times over the past week, the last of which was when Israeli infantry troops filmed the house inside and out. Maan News (October 25, 2008).

- More than 25 Israeli vehicles raided As -Saf Street in Bethlehem city and stormed Ar Radi Building and forced residents to leave the building in the open air under the threat of weapons. Wafa (October 26, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Army raided Harmala and Abu Njeim villages south of Beit Sahour city and searched a number of Palestinian houses in the aforementioned villages, of which, the following were known: Waleed Al Hreimi, Muhammad Al Hreimi, 'Ali Suleiman and 'Atiyah Al Hreimi. IO army also raided Al 'Azza refugee camp in Bethlehem city and stormed Abu Tarboush building in the camp. Wafa (October 29, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Soldiers raided Al Khadr village west of Bethlehem city and detained Al Khadr school girls while they were leaving the school to their homes. Wafa (October 30, 2008).
- The IOF moved into Al-'Ebayat village, east of Bethlehem. They raided and searched a house belonging to the family of Ahmed Jamal 'Ebayat, 19, and arrested him. PCHRGAZA (October 30, 2008).

## Jenin

- A large contingent of Israeli soldiers invaded the Martyrs Cemetery in Jenin city and used bulldozers to dig up graves of deceased Palestinians; IOF also desecrated copies of the Qu'ran, the Muslim holy book, by tearing it apart and throwing it in the toilet. IMEMC (October 5, 2008).
- The IOF moved into Jenin town and refugee camp. They raided and searched a number of houses and arrested 3 Palestinian civilians: Mohammed Ibrahim Nassar, Allam Ziad Jaradat and Mohammed Ameen Abu Tame'. PCHRGAZA (October 30, 2008).

## Hebron

- Israeli settlers attacked peace activists from Rabbis for Human Rights as they stood protecting a group of Palestinians harvesting olives in a nearby field and attempted to drive the farmers off the land. Maan News (October 3, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces confiscated a huge piece of construction equipment from Zidan Issa Shawahi while he was working in the fields

near Umm Lasafa a village south of Hebron. As IOF attempted to move the equipment away from the scene, severe damage was done to the electrical wires surrounding the village, causing power outs in most homes and shops. Maan News (October 5, 2008).

- The Israeli Occupation Authorities notified resident Isma'il 'Illain Al Makhamra from Umm Lasafa hamlet south of Hebron city to stop construction at his two houses. Military notifications hold number 141764 and 141765. Wafa (October 5, 2008).
- Israel settlers attacked the land of Muhammad Abu Haykal and stole his Olive product in Tel Al Rumeida in Hebron city. Wafa (October 5, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces interrupted land reclamation in Umm Lasfa village east of Yatta town south of Hebron city, in Abu Shayan area, and prevented workers from continuing their work in the area for security reasons. The IOF also attacked Zeidan Issa Shawaheen before confiscating his bulldozer and deliberately damaged electricity network in the village which led to electricity cut. Quds (October 6, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation soldiers in Hebron took over the three storey house overlooking the Qiryat Arba' settlement in Hebron. The house, owned by Al-Hajj Suleiman Ar-Ragaby, and is located on the Jawhar Mount hill in Hebron. IOF remained there for over a week and prevented the three families living in it from moving about their homes. Not forgetting to mention that IOF routinely seize Al Ragaby house each Saturday, and that it had been going on for quite some time. Maan News (October 8, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces closed Al-Ibrahimi Mosque in Hebron in the West Bank and barred entry to nationals, to enable settlers to perform religious rites under the pretext of the Jewish feast, 'Yom Kippur'. Wafa (October 9, 2008).
- The Israeli Water company 'Mikrot' closed the water supply from the town of Yatta south of Hebron Governorate through the closure of the main pipeline that supplies the town with water located in Beren area. Wafa (October 9, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Army occupied two buildings in 'Asida area east of Beit Ummar town north of Hebron city and turned them into military posts. The homes taken over are owned by Mershid Mohammad Mershid (Two storey house) and Waheeb Bader Husein (three storey house). The owners

were handed over military orders telling them they had to hand over the property. Not forgetting to mention that the two buildings are inhabited by more than 16 persons who were forced to evacuate the buildings under the threat of weapons. Maan News (October 10, 2008).

- The Israeli Occupation Forces raided Hebron city and stormed a number of Palestinian houses and commercial stores. Among owners, the following were known: Wisam Al 'Ajoury, an owner of a cellular shop and Muhammad Ibrahim Ahmaro. Wafa (October 12, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Authorities embarked on the establishment of a new outpost located about 400 meters to the east of 'Kharsina' settlement to the north east of Hebron city. The occupation forces and in cooperation with Israeli settlers set up nine new caravans on the lands of Jaber family. The IOF continued to work feverishly to provide the 'mobile homes' with infrastructure services, and imposed strict measures in the vicinity of the region, and prevented land owners from reaching the targeted lands. Wafa (October 13, 2008).
- Israeli settlers stoned a group of a dozen Palestinian schoolchildren on their way home from school in the village of At-Tuwani, next to the settlement Ma'on south of the West Bank city of Hebron. Maan News (October 15, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces raided Wad An Naqa area in Idhna town in Hebron Governorate and searched the house of Abdel Majeed Al Jiawi. IOF also raided Al Hseini area in As Samu' village south of Hebron city and searched a commercial store owned by Muhammad Salim 'Ali Al Baddareen. Wafa (October 14, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces closed Al-Ibrahimi Mosque in Hebron in the West Bank, in the face of Palestinian worshippers to enable settlers to practice their religious rituals on the occasion of the so-called 'Sukkut'. Wafa (October 15, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Authorities began the construction of three new buildings in the settlement of Kharsina northeast of Hebron city, in conjunction with the beginning of the implementation of the infrastructure in the settlement. Construction works is being done on an area of one thousand square meters. The Israeli occupation authorities established earlier this month a new outpost east of Hebron city, located about 400 meters to the east of 'Kharsina' settlement, and at the expense of large



areas of lands of Al Muhtaseb family in Al Baq'a area. Jewish extremist also proclaimed their intention to establish three new illegal settlement outposts in the West Bank, one west of 'Qiryat Arba' settlement, east of Hebron city, and another near the Israeli settlement of 'Migron' in Ramallah and the last will be near the settlement of 'Har Bracha' in Nablus. Wafa (October 19, 2008).

- A group of masked Israeli youth settlers approached from the direction of Otniel settlement established on lands of As Samu' and Yatta towns where Al Hroush Palestinian family and other Palestinian families came to harvest olives from a grove near the settlement and began throwing stones at the harvesters to force them out of their lands due to their location to the settlement. Wafa & Haaretz (October 23, 2008).
- Israeli forces detained tens of Palestinian citizens and owners of vehicles in Hariyeh valley south of Hebron city and checked the identity cards and subjected them to provocative inspections. Israeli Occupation troops also intensified their deployment in Al Salam and Sarah streets, and stormed a house belonging to the family of Qawasmi and conducted searches inside it. In addition, IOF raided the homes of Ahmed Abdel Rahman Al Masri, and Ahmed Hassan Al-Masri in Idhna village west of Hebron city and detained a number of Palestinian farmers as they were harvesting their Olive trees in Beit 'Allam west of the town. In Al Fawwar refugee camp, Israeli Occupation forces also raided the house of Basem Al Hammoz and conducted inspections inside, and set up a barrier at the entrance of the camp and detained a number of citizens and owners of vehicles and checked their ID cards. Wafa (October 23, 2008).
- Israel stopped the construction of an agricultural project funded by the European Union in Al-Baq'a, a town near Hebron, according to an order issued to the project's director. Soldiers gave Rabee Mustafa Jaber the order to pause construction for 45 days. Soldiers also confiscated equipment from the site. Maan News (October 23, 2008).
- Water flooding from the settlement of Qiryat Arba' into the Palestinian area of "Al Baq'a" (the food basket of vegetables and fruits) in Hebron city has caused severe losses to farmers who depend on agriculture as their livelihood. It is worth mentioning that water is being transferred from Tekoa settlement east of Bethlehem city to Qiryat Arba' settlement situated on Jales Mountain east of Hebron city. The 16 inch diameters water pipes are being open for "water transfer" for long hours and sometimes for a day or two which caused the level of water to rise to 50 cm above land level

and destroyed agricultural products. More than four hundred dunums are threatened of drowning while actually more than 70 dunums of lands sank and Palestinian farmers suffered heavy losses. Quds (October 23, 2008).

- Two areas in the city of Hebron situated next to Qiryat Arba' and Kharsina settlements face chronic water shortage for so long which threatens their existence in the area. Residents are prevented from purchasing water supplies from local companies since delivery is restricted near their homes. Maan News (October 24,2008).
- Israeli Occupation Bulldozers demolished the two homes of Right Wing Activist Noam Federman illegal outpost in Qiryat Arba' settlement east of Hebron city. INN (October 25, 2008).
- Right wing Jewish settlers from Qiryat Arba' settlement smashed several head-stones and splashed paint over several others in Ar-Ras Muslim graveyard in the southern West Bank city of Hebron. Settlers also damaged over 80 Palestinian vehicles by smashing windows and puncturing tires. The attacks came as retaliation for the evacuation of a settlement outpost established by Right Wing Activist Noam Federman, close to Qiryat Arba. The settlement, reported to have been a farm of sorts, was evacuated several teams of Israeli forces including military, police and border guards. Maan News (October 26, 2008).
- The Qiryat Arba' municipality made an official decision to rebuild the farm destroyed overnight by security forces. It was decided not to allow the destroyed site to remain desolate of Jews, to rebuild it with city equipment, and to call upon Jews from all over to join the rebuilding efforts. At least 200 people gathered at the site of the Federman Farm and built a white shack and set up a generator as their first step toward replacing the two destroyed homes. Settlers also blocked the dirt road leading to the site with stones and metal debris to prevent IOF from returning to the site for a second evacuation. Jpost & INN (October 26, 2008).
- The Occupation Army prevented Palestinian Farmers and International activist from harvesting Olive trees in Tel Ar Rumeida area near the Old city of Hebron under the pretext that the area is classified as closed military zone and no one is allowed to enter. Quds (October 26, 2008).

- Israeli settlers from the settlement of Otni'el, accompanied by Israeli military forces prevented Palestinian farmers from Karma village whose lands are near the Israeli settlement from harvesting their olives and declared the area as "Restricted Military Zone". The farmers were assaulted along with volunteers who had accompanied them to the fields for the harvest. Several were detained for hours under the pretext that they entered a restricted military zone. The land is estimated at 20 dunums of land and is a property of Abu Shiekha family. Maan News (October 27, 2008).
- Israeli settlers residing in Al Rajabi building near Qiryat Arba' settlement punctured the tires of 22 cars and damaged the external structures of the cars while they were parked at their places in Al Ja'bari and Wadi Al Hsein neighborhoods in Hebron city. Among owners, the following were known: Rami and Nabeel Ghaleb Al Ja'barai, Suleiman, Ribhi and Jamal Abu S'eifan, Tareq, Rajeh and Majdi Kayed Al Ja'bari, Muhammad Salah Al Ja'bari, 'Aahdi Rabei' Al Ja'bari, and Bassam Naser Al Ja'bari. Wafa (October 26, 2008).
- Palestinian families living near the Jewish settlement of Qiryat Arba' east of Hebron city, have been without access to water for several weeks. Settlers of the aforementioned settlement destroyed several weeks ago a key water pipe which provides water to dozens of Palestinian families in the area; In addition, the Israeli occupation authorities prevented municipal staff from rehabilitating the water pipeline, thereby continue depriving hundreds of Palestinians from drinking water. Wafa (October 27,2008).
- The Israeli High Court of Justice made it clear to the 20 settlers' families occupying a disputed building on "Worshippers' Way" in Hebron on March 19, 2007 that they would not be allowed to continue living there, and urged them to withdraw a petition filed on their behalf and leave the building voluntarily. [Ipost](#) (October 30,2008).
- Fights between Israeli Occupation soldiers and Israeli settlers took place overnight near the dismantled Federman outpost near Hebron as settlers erected two new houses since the demolition happened on Sunday. Fearing more demolitions, settlers massed on the scene, attempting to set fire to an Israeli military bulldozer. Confrontation continued until dawn when the Israeli troops withdrew. Maan News (October 30,2008).

- Israeli Occupation Army raided a number of Palestinian houses in Ashoyukh neighborhood in Hebron city. Among owners, the house of Ali Al Qawasmi was known. The IO army also raided Tarqumiya town and stormed a number of houses in the town. Wafa (October 30, 2008).
- Four Israeli military jeeps raided the Palestine Technical College in Al-Arrub town and opened fire before detaining a number of students and exploded percussion grenades during the raid. About 20 other students from the agricultural school nearby were also detained. Maan News (October 30, 2008).
- In Umm Al-Kher village, south of the city of Hebron, Israeli bulldozers, accompanied by some 60 soldiers destroyed six Palestinian houses and one animal shelter near Karmi'el settlement. Workers employed by the Israeli military removed the furniture from the structures before the demolitions. As a result, 95 people were left homeless, including a woman who had recently given birth. Maan News & DWG (October 30, 2008).
- The IOF moved into Tarqoumia village, southwest of Hebron. They raided and searched a number of houses and summoned Shadi Mohammed Ghareeb and Eyad Anwar Al-Fatafta for interrogation. PCHRGAZA (October 30, 2008).
- More than ten Israeli military jeeps stormed Al-A'rub refugee camp north of Hebron city, broke into a number of homes in the camp and destroyed contents. Among houses, the following were known: Hasan Ash-Shareef, Husein Ash-Shareef and Ali Al-Blati. Maan News (October 31, 2008).
- Israeli Settlers assaulted on 3 Journalists in Hebron city while they were photographing settler's attacks against Da'na family's house located next to Kharsina settlement northeast of Hebron city. Wafa (October 31, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces evacuated for the second time this week the two-year-old family outpost of Noam and Elisheva Federman and destroyed one storeroom near the Qiryat Arba' settlement. INN (October 31, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces broke into Al-A'rub collage north of Hebron city aggressed on students and destroyed properties. Quds (October 31, 2008).

- The Israeli Occupation Bulldozers knocked down 25 Beduin shacks and animal pens in the village of [Mughayir el Dir](#), south of Hebron city and left 45 people homeless under the pretext of being built in a closed military zone without permits. About 350 Bedouin live in Mughayir el Dir, a village of scattered tin-and-wood shacks on a rocky hillside. In September, the army told eight families living in the lower part of the village to leave their homes; the villagers appealed the orders and a court decision was expected on November 1, but a bulldozer, escorted by two army jeeps, knocked down about three dozen shacks and animal sheds one day before the court's hearing. [Ipost](#) (October 31, 2008).
- The IOF moved into Dura village, southwest of Hebron. They patrolled in the streets and opened fire at a number of Palestinian civilians and injured three, including a child. Injured Civilians are: Mohammed Farhan 'Asar, Badawai Ahmed Al-'Awawda and Fadi Ahmed Al-Sharha. PCHRGAZA (October 31, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces moved into Al-'Arroub refugee camp, north of Hebron, raided and searched a number of houses and arrested Salah 'Ali al-Titi. PCHRGAZA (October 31, 2008).

## Ramallah

- Israeli Settlers clashed with Palestinians and peace activists in Ni'lin village north of Ramallah city as they sought to harvest olives from areas on the far side of the Segregation wall. The settlers tried to prevent the activists and the Palestinian family from reaching the trees. Israeli settlers, who claim that the olive grove that was to be harvested does not indeed, belong to the Ni'lin residents. IMEMC & Maan News (October 3, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Forces threatened to evacuate 18 Palestinian Bedouin families from Magharet Ad Deir east of Deir Dibwan located close to Ma'ale Mikhmas settlement. Residents were given notifications to evacuate their residency within a period of month. Wafa (October 5, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces prevented several Palestinian farmers accompanied by Israeli peace activists from harvesting olives near the village of Ni'lin west of Ramallah. Maan News (October 10, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities escalated their military procedures against Palestinian citizens at military checkpoints on roads north of the

West Bank. Israeli soldiers manning the checkpoints carried out inspections and checked vehicles and Palestinian citizens' cards, and forced some people to get off their cars for inspection purposes, and intentionally delayed the arrival of Palestinian citizens to their work places and homes. Wafa (October 15, 2008).

- Israeli Occupation bulldozers demolished the homes of 95 people in Al Malihat Bedouin Community in Deir Dibwan city east of Ramallah city. The Bedouin community is located in close parameters of Ma'ale Mikhmas settlement but has been living in the area for 30 years, long time before the establishment of the settlement on the Palestinian lands. Citizens weren't allowed to salvage any of their properties. Not forgetting to mention that the Israeli Occupation Authorities handed out the community house demolition orders back in middle September 2008 asking them to evacuate the area or they will have to demolish the barracks themselves. Wafa (October 30, 2008).

## **Tulkarem**

- Palestinian farmers were prevented by settlers, at gunpoint, from accessing their ancestral lands located over rocky and often steep terrain near Ar-Ras village in the southern Tulkarem district in order to harvest their olives. Israeli settlers also tried to steal the olive harvest from Palestinian farmers. A family of olive harvesters was forced off their tractors by Israeli settlers, who were backed by Israeli soldiers, and forced to carry their entire olive harvest by foot across their land, abandoning their tractors. IMEMC & Maan News (October 4, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Soldiers obstructed the entry of Fire crews who were trying to pass through Qaffin's Iron Gates to put off the fire that caused the loss of 150 dunums of land planted with Olive trees. Quds (October 7, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces raided Tulkarem refugee camps in the northern West Bank, ransacking the house of Surouji family, detained its members and were sent outside the home as Israeli soldiers searched the premises, damaging parts of the structure and reportedly stealing a 500 shekel (140 US dollar) cellular telephone. Maan News (October 14, 2008).
- An Israeli bulldozer closed with earth mound and big rocks Kafr Al Labad- Shofa agricultural road in Tulkarem Governorate and prevented

Palestinian farmers from using it. This closure will add more hardship on Palestinian farmers as they harvest their olive trees and need to transfer the product from the land to the Olive presser. Wafa (October 16, 2008).

- Israeli Occupation Army raided Bal'aa village, east of Tulkarm and conducted house searches in the house of Imad Wasef Abdel-Fattah and missed up with its contents after forcing its inhabitants to leave the house. Wafa (October 28, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces raided Nur Ash Shams refugee camp in the east of Tulkarem surrounded the house of Ra'fat Hussein Sa'id and evacuated residents under the threat of weapons. Maan News (October 28, 2008).

## Qalqilyah

- Israeli Occupation Forces manning 'Azzun 'Atmeh iron gate located south of Qalqilyah city stepped up their procedures against Palestinian citizens who were accessing the gate. Israeli occupation soldiers hindered hundreds of citizens who are not residents in the village from crossing the gate to visit their relatives. Wafa (October 1, 2008).
- Palestinians preparing lands for the olive harvest were attacked by a group of Israeli settlers and army soldiers just outside the village of Kafr Qaddum northeast of Qalqilyah city. The Palestinians were told that the land was off limits despite being outside the fences surrounding the settlement. Maan News (October 5, 2008).
- Israelis from the West Bank settlement Kedumim set fire into olive trees owned by a Palestinian farmer, Fathi Hamed Amer, in the village of Kafr Qaddum northeast of Qalqilyah city. Maan News (October 16, 2008).
- Palestinian children of the Ar-Ramadeen Bedouin camp, located on the west side of Israel's Segregation wall south of the West Bank city of Qalqilyah, do not have a school to go to. Maan News (October 17, 2008).
- Israeli Settlers aggressed on Palestinian farmers while they were harvesting their Olive trees in Kafr Qaddum village northeast of Qalqilyah city and prevented them from resuming work at their fields. Settlers also destroyed 20 Olive trees in the village belonging to one family in the village and stole the Olive product of other families, broke citizens' cars' windows and throw stones on them. Wafa (October 20, 2008).

- More than one hundred Israeli settlers attacked and beat up Palestinian farmers and foreign volunteers collecting olives at Jabal Odala, an outskirt of the northern West Bank town of Kafr Qaddum north east Qalqilyah. Settlers injured several olive pickers and damaged vehicles in order to prevent the group from collecting the harvest. Maan News (October 20, 2008).
- More than 120 Israeli settlers attacked Palestinian farmers from Kafr Qaddum village northeast of Qalqilyah city and broke the car of 'Imad Amin Jum'a and hindered the family of Muhammad Nemer from accessing their lands to harvest their Olive trees. Wafa (October 20, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces raided the northern West Bank village of Azzun, east of Qalqilyah city, imposing a curfew and blocked the western entrance to the village, called Al-Izba. Maan News (October 25,2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces raided the West Bank town of Habla, near Qalqilia, and detained three Palestinian civilians after storming and searching houses and farm in the eastern area of the town. Maan News (October 29,2008).

## **Nablus**

- The Israeli Police and Civil Administration made their way to Shvut Ami B near Nablus in the northern part of the West Bank after spotting five settlers who were trying to set up a tent there. The settlers were cleared from the area. Two hours later stones were hurled at security forces. Israeli settlers also set fire into a nearby olive grove owned by Palestinians, and the blaze began spreading toward an Israeli military base and a police station in Kedum. Yntenews (October 2, 2008).
- The Israeli Company Baron Industrial Park Company would like to turn the Abu Shusheh quarry just outside Deir Sharaf, near Nablus, into a building-waste dumping site for both area residents and perhaps Israeli waste shipped over the Green Line as well. The company is a joint endeavor of the Kedumim and Karnei Shomron town councils and the Samaria Regional Council. The project would harm the mountain aquifer runs below the quarry and could be contaminated as well. One third of Israel's water comes from the aquifer. Jpost (October 5, 2008).



- Israeli Occupation Forces closed Huwwara checkpoint on the main road south of Nablus for two hours preventing Palestinians from leaving or entering the major West Bank city. It is worth mentioning that the closure of the checkpoint severs the main link between the northern West Bank and points to the south, including the administrative center in Ramallah, as well as Jerusalem, Bethlehem, and Hebron. Maan News (October 5, 2008).
- Israeli Settlers from the illegal Israeli settlement of Yitzhar in the northern West Bank attacked An-Najjar family in the area of Abu Hallouf, which is between Burin and Huwwara while collecting olives in Burin village south of Nablus city. A fight broke out when Israeli settlers “chopped down five olive trees”. Israeli settlers also cut down 15 other olive trees in other Nablus-area attacks on farmers. Maan News (October 11, 2008).
- Israeli Settlers of Bracha settlement south of Nablus city aggressed on Mansour Family while harvesting their Olive trees in Kafr Qalil village. Quds (October 11, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces raided the village of Asira Al Shamalia and inspected several Palestinian homes, damaging contents and frightening children in Asira Ash-Shamalia. Maan News (October 12, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces hunts livestock farmers from the village of 'Aqraba in Nablus Governorate who are grazing their livestock on lands of the village. A military checkpoint located near the settlements Gitit – Ma'ale Ephrayem prevents the movement of livestock farmers from reaching their places and grazing their livestock. Wafa (October 13, 2008).
- A group of Israeli settlers destroyed a Palestinian car owned by Hamadallah Afanah near the illegal Israeli settlement of Alon Morah, east of the West Bank city of Nablus. Israeli settlers destroyed the windows of the car and blow out its tires with knives. Maan News (October 16, 2008).
- Israeli settlers “dumped dozens of sheep” on Palestinian farmland neighboring the illegal settlement of Itamar, where the animals damaged and devoured dozens of olive and fig trees. Maan News (October 16, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Authorities continued to hinder Palestinian citizens from Qaryut village south of Nablus city from using the water of the spring that belongs to the village, destroyed it and banned its use. The IO

Authorities also refused to remove the earth mound it set at the entrance of the village which links the village with the main road. It is worth mentioning that citizens of Qaryut take a route of 22 km instead of 3 km to reach the main road. Wafa (October 15, 2008).

- A group of Israeli settlers from Elon Moreh settlement attacked a Palestinian family in 'Azmout village northeast of Nablus city while they were harvesting their Olive trees. Settlers were reported stealing Olive products from Palestinian families in 'Azmout village. Wafa (October 18, 2008).
- The Israeli Occupation Bulldozers manning Huwwara checkpoint south of Nablus city obstructed the passage of Palestinian citizens across the checkpoint which led to the block the passage of a huge number of people to their destinations. Soldiers checked identity cards of all citizens before searching their belongings. Wafa (October 19, 2008).
- For the third time on row, Israeli settlers of Alon Moreh attacked Palestinian Farmers of 'Azmout village while they were harvesting their olive trees. Wafa (October 19, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces stormed Al 'Ain refugee camp in Nablus city, and raided several Palestinian houses in the camp. The IOF also stormed the eastern neighborhoods of the city of Nablus and carried out some military activities. Wafa (October 20, 2008).
- Tens of Israeli settlers of Yitzhar settlement set fire into the lands of Burqa village north of Nablus city and throw stones at Palestinian cars driving the road along side the village. Settlers also took over some lands in 'Asira Al Qiblyia village south of Nablus city and sieged the land with barbed wires. Wafa (October 24, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces stormed the village of Talluza north of the West Bank city of Nablus and arrested resident Mohammad Jihad while harvesting his olive trees in the village. Maan News (October 24,2008).
- Israeli Occupation Army raided Kafr Qalil village south of Nablus city and carried out intense inspection activities and stormed a number of Palestinian houses and commercial stores and agricultural fields in the village located along side the main road. Wafa (October 25, 2008).

- Israeli Occupation Forces closed Huwwara checkpoint south of Nablus city and prevented Palestinian citizens from entering or leaving the city. Wafa (October 25, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation soldiers set up roadblocks near the Al-Hamra checkpoint, making hundreds of people wait in the heavy rain. Maan News (October 29, 2008).
- The IOF moved into Nablus and the neighboring Balata refugee camp. They raided and searched a number of houses, but no arrests were reported. PCHRGAZA (October 30, 2008).
- Israeli settlers, guarded by Israeli Police, set fire into lands of Burin village south of Nablus city. Wafa (October 31, 2008).
- Recent Expansion activities are taking place at 1.5 dunums of land at Huwwara checkpoint south of Nablus city. The targeted land is located to the west of the checkpoint. Wafa (October 31, 2008).
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## **Tubas**

- The Israeli Occupation Authorities obstructed the passage of 45 teachers to 'Ein Al Baida schools as they closed Tayaseer checkpoint. Quds (October 10, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces raided Tammun village in Tubas Governorate and deliberately fired at a number of Electric poles in the village which led to the destruction of the electricity network. Quds (October 12, 2008).
- Israeli forces imposed a tight siege on Al Far'aa refugee camp south of Tubas city north of the West Bank. Military vehicles stationed at the entrances of the camp and prevented people from entering or leaving, and closed the roads that link the camp with the neighboring Palestinian communities. Israeli Occupation soldiers also surrounded a number of Palestinian houses and forced inhabitants to leave before they inspected the house contents under the pretext of searching for wanted Palestinian militants. Israeli forces also established a number of flying military

checkpoints around the area of Wadi Al Far'aa, and held a number of Palestinian vehicles on the main road that links Tubas city with Nablus city. Wafa (October 22, 2008).

- Israeli Occupation Forcers again raided Al Far'a refugee camp south of Tubas city, surrounded it from all directions and stormed Palestinian Houses and commercial stores. Wafa (October 26, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation soldier's raided Al Hammamat area east of Tubas city, searched a number of Palestinian houses, and messed up with the contents. Citizens were forced to leave their houses under the threat of weapons. Wafa (October 29, 2008).

## **Salfit**

- Israeli settlers of Ariel settlement freed wild pigs at the Palestinian family Hamdallah Hmeidi from Iskaka village located to the east of the settlement. Quds (October 21, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Army handed out residents of Bruqin village west of Salfit city 5 house demolition orders. IO army also began inspection at a number of commercial shops in the village and damaged their contents and destroyed the gate of Abdullah Abu Ayyash commercial store. Wafa (October 30, 2008).

## **Jericho**

- Israeli Occupation Soldiers raided Jericho's Vegetables market and confiscated agricultural pesticides for commercial and agricultural use. The IOF also stormed the store of Rida An Nahhas and confiscated bottles of "Sofia" substance, used to treat Fungi. Quds (October 9, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation soldiers had closed Jericho's multiple military checkpoints installed at the entrances of the city, obstructing Palestinians movement in the Jordan Valley. Maan News (October 11, 2008).

## **Jenin**

- The Israeli Occupation Authorities revoked 15 permits that were issued to Palestinian farmers in At Taybeh village in Jenin Governorate to access

their lands segregated behind the wall path. Upon this, farmers were prevented from accessing their lands located behind the Wall to reap their olives. Wafa (October 9, 2008).

- Israeli Occupation soldiers manning At Taybeh gate number 154 prevented Palestinian farmers in the villages of Rummana, At Taybeh, Jenin, and Silat Al Harthiyeh in Jenin Governorate from reaching their lands located behind the Segregation wall to reap their olives. Not forgetting to mention that about 250 dunums of lands are planted with Olive trees and are segregated behind the wall path from these villages. Wafa (October 9, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces prevented Palestinian farmers in the village of Faqu'a east of Jenin city from accessing their lands segregated behind the Segregation Wall to pick olives as they were denied permits to access the Iron Gate, the lone entrance to the segregated lands. Among the families, Abu Salameh and Othman were known. Wafa (October 15, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Soldiers hindered 13 Palestinian families from Rummana village west of Jenin city from accessing their lands segregation behind the wall path to harvest their Olive trees. Families were denied permits from the Israeli Civil Administration to cross the Iron Gate which is the only entrance to the lands. Wafa (October 17, 2008).
- Israeli settlers of Mevo Dotan settlement attacked a Palestinian farmer (Naji Lutfi Zuhail) from 'Arraba village while heading to his Olive grove to harvest his Olive product. The settlers drove Zuhair's family out of the land and prevented them from continuing their harvest work in the land. Wafa (October 19, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Army raided the house of Muhammad Mahmoud Taleb in Jenin Refugee camp and forced its residents to leave the house under the threat of weapons. Wafa (October 20, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces set up two flying checkpoints south of Jenin city; the first at Jaba' village and the second at Silat Ad Dahr village. Israeli soldiers manning the checkpoints stopped residents for hours and checked their ID cards. Wafa (October 22, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Bulldozers started razing the lands of Al 'Omrah Nature Reserve alongside the 1949 Green Line, west of Ya'bad village to

construct the Segregation Wall in the Area. The Reserve is inhabited by five Palestinian families (Sabri Muhammad Kabha and his brothers) of 27 people. Officers at the Israeli Civil Administration informed residents of the Israeli Occupation Army's intention to construct an iron gate upon wall completion to control the entry and exit of the inhabitants, and that the gate will close at four pm every day. It is worth mentioning that Landowners have documents of land ownership which proves their ownership of the land. Wafa (October 23, 2008).

- Israeli Occupation Army continued for the second day on row razing the lands of Umm Ar Rihan and Tura Ash Sharqiyeh villages west of Jenin city which are segregated behind the Israeli Segregation Wall path. The 45 dunums of lands are cultivated with Fruitful Olive trees and is owned by Muhammad Khader Kabha. Wafa (October 24, 2008).
- A group of Israeli settlers set up caravans and tents on lands of the evacuated Homesh settlement located between Burqa and Silat Ad Dahr villages south of Jenin city. Settlers closed Silat Ad Dahr's main road as they entered the site. Quds (October 24, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces continue to hinder Palestinian Farmers from Tura Ash Sharqiye, Umm Dar, Nazlet Zeid and Umm Ar Riham from accessing their lands segregated behind the Israeli wall path to harvest their Olive products. Israel forbids the access of more than 100 Palestinian farmers although they applied for permits at the Israeli Civil administration in Jenin Governorate. Wafa (October 25, 2008).
- A group of Israeli settlers (from Homesh First Movement) set up a number of tents on the evacuated site of Homesh settlement in an attempt to reoccupy it. Settlers, under the protection of Israeli Police, also attacked Silat Ad Dahr village near the settlement and insulted Palestinians there. Wafa (October 26, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Forces set up a flying checkpoint at Muthallath Al Shuhada village intersection south of Jenin city and began searching dozens of vehicles, detained and integrated hundreds of residents, especially university students. The soldiers forced all vehicles to return to where they came from particularly those heading to the city and prevented them from entering. Wafa (October 27, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Soldiers manning the military gate established on the lands of 'Anin village prevented hundreds of Palestinian farmers from

harvesting their olive groves segregated behind the Israeli wall path. This in turn has caused them heavy losses and deprived them of oil and olives products. Israeli occupation authorities are still preventing more than 300 farmers in the village from accessing their lands for security reasons and are not granting them permits. Wafa (October 28, 2008).

- Israeli Occupation Forces raided the five storey building of Nayef Jaradat in Marah Sa'd in Jenin city using police dogs and forced inhabitants to evacuate the building. The IOF carried out an intensive search campaign to the building and caused damages to the properties. Wafa (October 30, 2008).
- Israeli Occupation Bulldozers raided Qabatya town south of Jenin city and demolished part of a wall in Kameel neighborhood in the town. Wafa (October 30, 2008).

## **Gaza**

- Israel is further limited shipments of fuel to the Gaza Strip this week, causing a severe shortage of cooking gas. After months of limits placed on transfers of vital fuels, Israeli authorities ordered the Nahal Oz terminal, the main crossing point for liquid fuels, to virtually shut down for the Jewish holiday Sukkut. The Gaza Strip needs about 15 containers or about 350 tons of gas every day to fulfill basic demand where as only six containers were allowed through Nahal Oz before the terminal was closed again. Maan News (October 16, 2008).
- Israeli naval forces fired on Palestinian fishing boats on the shore and off the coast of Al-Mina, in Rafah, at the southern Gaza Strip. Maan News (October 20, 2008).

## **Others**

- In A report published by the Israeli Environmental Protection Ministry, the Israeli Civil Administration and the Israeli Nature and Parks Service (NPS), asserted that 58 million cubic meters of untreated waste are flowing into Palestinian streams where the main cause of the contaminated water is that raw wastewater flows from Hebron, Ramallah, Nablus, Jenin and other villages, without proper treatment. The report blames Israeli settlers for pumping contaminated water into the sewers, not Palestinians. 70% of the Jewish communities east of the Green Line are connected to treatment

facilities, so "illegal outposts" are the main source of the untreated water. Maan News (October 1, 2008).

- The Israeli newspaper Ma'ariv reported that some 15,000 Israelis moved into illegal Israeli settlements in the West Bank since the beginning of 2008, despite a pledge by Prime Minister Ehud Olmert to halt settlement construction a year ago. Settlers were able to circumvent restrictions, such as taxes on construction, imposed by Olmert's government. Maan News (October 5, 2008).
- Settlers of the unauthorized Israeli settlements' outposts in the West Bank are working to form a new "**settlement movement**" under the name "Union of outposts." This new composition is an expression of the dissatisfaction of Israeli settlers with the outposts' evacuation process that is taking place in the West Bank. As a result, settlers decided to unite and battle for the survival of the unauthorized outposts. Quds (October 6, 2008).
- Israeli settlers established 400 new housing units in Israeli settlements in the West Bank through the construction of trailers. Trailers are distributed as follows:
  1. Tana: 4 trailers.
  2. Kiryat Arba': 40 Housing Units.
  3. Kfar Etzion: 4 Trailers.
  4. Betar Illit: 40 Trailers.
  5. Mitzpe Yericho: 4 trailers.
  6. Kochav Yacov: 4 trailers.
  7. Pisagot: 7 trailers.
  8. Kochav Hashahar: 16 trailers.
  9. Shilo: 12 Trailers.
  10. Ofra: 7 trailers.
  11. Dolev: 11 Trailers.
  12. Beit Horon: 3 trailers.
  13. Mevo Horon: 6 trailers.
  14. Modi'in Illit: 13 Trailers.
  15. Niri: 10 trailers.
  16. Pedu'el: 4 trailers.
  17. Revava: 25 Trailers.
  18. Alei Zahav: 4 trailers.
  19. Ariel: 4 trailers.
  20. Tapuh: 12 Trailers.



21. Fasayel: 5 trailers.
22. Itamar: 5 trailers.
23. 1Yetzhar: 12 trailers.
24. Maskiyot: 5 trailers.
25. Rotem: 5 trailers.
26. Immanuel: 4 trailers.
27. Alon Moreh: 3 trailers.
28. Karmeit Shomron: 24 trailers.
29. Shedamot Mechola: 6 trailers.
30. Mechola: 8 trailers.
31. Eli: 53 trailers.

- The Israeli Reconciliation Court in Ar Ramla city issued an order to demolish a building of six floors in Al Lud inside the 1949 Armistice Line (Green Line) under the pretext of being unlicensed. The building belongs to Abdel Mu'ti Iqtefan and is inhabited by tens residents who will become homeless if the court's order is implemented. The court also imposed a penalty of NIS 750 thousand on the owner. Wafa (October 9, 2008).
- In a report issued by the Applied Research Institute Jerusalem – ARIJ concerning the Israeli settlement and their Illegal expansion in the West Bank during the period of 1996 and 2007, the results revealed that the expansion in the Israeli settlements in the OPT dramatically increased by 85% during the aforementioned period. ARIJ (October 10, 2008).
- Handful of clashes between Arab and Jewish residents of the coastal Israeli city of Acre. The homes of two Palestinian families in the city were set on fire during the escalating tension. Maan News (October 11, 2008).
- Israel placed the West Bank and Gaza Strip under closure on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October 2008 and till the 21<sup>st</sup> of October 2008, claiming to seek increased security during the Jewish holiday Sukkut. Maan News (October 13, 2008).
- Israeli settlers and families are planning to start two new Jewish neighborhoods in the West Bank and will strengthen another. The sites chosen for the new neighborhoods are Reches [Hilltop] Sela - the western hilltop of Har Bracha, near Nablus, and Maalot [Steps] Halhoul, between Hebron/Qiryat Arba' and Gush Etzion. A third site, Reches Migron - a hilltop just outside Migron, in Jerusalem. INN (October 19, 2008).
- The Swedish company "Assaabloy" dismantled and closed its factory located inside the Barqan Industrial zone near the Palestinian village of

"Haris". The decision of the company to close the factory came after the Palestinian resident Jameel Daoud was able to prove his ownership of the 60 dunums of land that was confiscated from him by the Israeli Occupation Authorities in 1984. Quds (October 28, 2008).

- In a report issued by Bimkom showed that "The Israeli "Civil Administration" of the Israeli Occupation Forces (IOF) is severely violating Palestinian human rights by using a deliberately restrictive planning policy to strangle Palestinian development in Area C and preserve as much land as possible for the illegal Jewish colonial settlements". Bimkom (October 29, 2008).
- Israel will reduce government services to illegal outposts in the West Bank in a bid to combat settler violence, during a meeting headed by Defense Minister Ehud Barak and attended by the country's top military and legal brass. According to data presented, the number of attacks by settlers on security forces in the first nine months of 2008 stood at 450, about 50 more than the corresponding period last year. [Haaretz](#) (October 30, 2008).

District	Land Confiscated (Dunum)	Land Threatened (Dunum)	Uprooted Trees	Houses Demolished	Houses threatened to be demolished
Bethlehem	0	0	0	1	2
Jerusalem	0	0	0	0	0
Jenin	45	0	900	0	0
Tulkarm	0	0	0	0	0
Ramallah	0	0	0	0	0
Nablus	1.5	0	20	0	0
Salfit	0	0	0	0	5
Jericho	0	0	0	0	0
Gaza	0	0	0	0	0
Qalqiliya	0	0	20	0	0
Hebron	0	20	0	6	2
Tubas	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>46.5</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>

*The Monthly overview report gives a list of the Israeli Violations in the Occupied Palestinian Territory which are based on reports provided by field workers and/or by one or more of the following news sources: Al-Ayyam daily newspaper, Al-Quds daily newspaper, Palestinian National Information Center, Haaretz Daily Newspaper, The*

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Palestine News Agency-Wafa, Ma'an News Agency, and Yediot Achronot.*

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